

# Virginia Green Partner Profile:



## The Dunmar Companies

## Richmond, Virginia

*Virginia Green* is the Commonwealth of Virginia's campaign to promote environmentally-friendly practices is all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. *Virginia Green* has established "core activities" specific to each sector of tourism, and these practices are considered the required minimum for participation in the program. However, *Virginia Green* encourages its participants to reduce their environmental impacts in all aspects of their operations; and this profile provides a full list of all their "green" activities.

*Virginia Green Partners* are primarily committing to help support *Virginia Green* and encourage their customers to join or do business with Virginia Green-certified participants. Although not necessarily tourism facilities themselves, Partners are expected to practice green activities in their own facilities as well!

#### **The Dunmar Companies**

"Dunmar moves furnishings and offices both locally and long distance. Our Office and Industrial Division operates with its own specialized staff and equipment. As an agent for Allied Van Lines, Dunmar has the authority to move goods within the United States and Canada and to more than 130 countries worldwide.

We also take part in exhibits, and many people travel to experience these trade shows. Dunmar Exhibit Services is a full service exhibition contractor providing pipe and drape equipment, decoration, furniture and accessory rental, and material handling. We are equipped to handle pre-show storage and post show transportation and shipping. We offer comprehensive and experienced tradeshow management."

**Green Statement:** We went green "to improve efficiency and to potentially lower operating costs, to set a positive example for employees which may ultimately boost morale and company loyalty and to provide a cleaner and healthier work environment. It is important to give back and sustain the environment from which you take."

### CORE ACTIVITIES for all Virginia Green Partner Organizations

- Support Virginia Green. Partners must promote the Virginia Green Program to clients, members, and staff and encourage them to do business with Virginia Green participants. This partner organization pledges that they:
  - Encourage clients who are in the tourism industry to join Virginia Green.
  - Have a travel / conference policy that encourages employees to stay in / do business with Virginia Green or similarly-minded facilities.
  - Send out emails or mailers to their membership about Virginia Green.
  - Set a goal for recruiting their member facilities.
  - Include a Virginia Green feature in their newsletter or other publication.
  - Display the Virginia Green certificate prominently in their facility / offices and use the Virginia Green window decals.
  - Highlight their involvement in Virginia Green on their website and include a link to their Virginia Green facility profile
- Green Meetings and Conferences. When Virginia Green Partners hold meetings or conferences they must provide recycling and make an effort to reduce the use of Styrofoam and other disposables. This partner pledges that they:

- Have conferences at a Virginia Green Lodging facility, and let the facility know that they want a "green event!"
- Minimize copying and always make 2-sided copies
- Have eliminated the use of Styrofoam cups and plates
- Avoid box lunches trays/platters of food are much less wasteful
- Recycling and Waste Reduction. Virginia Green Partners are highly encouraged to maintain a comprehensive recycling program if they have a facility. This partner pledges that they:
  - Recycle: glass, aluminum cans, plastic, office paper, newspaper, cardboard, packing supplies, fluorescent lamps, batteries, electronic equipment
  - Track overall waste bills
  - Encourage suppliers to minimize packaging and other waste materials
  - Purchase from vendors and service providers with a commitment to the environment
  - Make 2-sided copies/ printed materials
  - Purchase durable equipment and furniture
  - Use reused building materials or those from sustainable sources
  - Perform preventative maintenance on all appliances, HVAC systems, plumbing, and vehicles
  - Use a last-in/first-out inventory and labeling system
- Water Conservation. Virginia Green partners are highly encouraged to have a plan for conserving water in their facility that should consider plumbing modifications and landscaping. This partner pledges that they:
  - Track overall water usage and wastewater
  - Perform preventative maintenance to stop drips and leaks
- Energy Efficiency. Virginia Green partners are highly encouraged a plan in place that encourages replacement of lighting and equipment to energy-efficient alternatives in their facility. This partner pledges that they:
  - Track overall energy bills
  - Use natural lighting

For more information on **The Dunmar Companies**, see <a href="www.dunmar.com">www.dunmar.com</a> or contact **Lori Morgan** at <a href="mailto:lmorgan@dunmar.com">lmorgan@dunmar.com</a> or **804-271-0500 ext. 225**.

For more information on *Virginia Green*, see

http://www.deq.state.va.us/p2/virginiagreen/homepage.html or go to www.virginiagreentravel.org.



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